

AN ACT concerning transportation.

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,  
represented in the General Assembly:**

Section 5. The State Finance Act is amended by adding Section 5.826 as follows:

(30 ILCS 105/5.826 new)

Sec. 5.826. The Public Safety Diver Fund.

Section 10. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by adding Section 3-699 as follows:

(625 ILCS 5/3-699 new)

Sec. 3-699. Public Safety Diver license plates.

(a) The Secretary, upon receipt of an application made in the form prescribed by the Secretary of State, may issue special registration plates designated to be Public Safety Diver license plates. The special plates issued under this Section shall be affixed only to passenger vehicles of the first division, motor vehicles of the second division weighing not more than 8,000 pounds, and recreational vehicles as defined by Section 1-169 of this Code. Plates issued under this Section shall expire according to the multi-year procedure established by Section 3-414.1 of this Code.

(b) The design and color of the plates shall be wholly within the discretion of the Secretary of State. Appropriate documentation, as determined by the Secretary, shall accompany the application. The Secretary may, in his or her discretion, allow the plates to be issued as vanity or personalized plates in accordance with Section 3-405.1 of this Code.

(c) An applicant shall be charged a \$45 fee for original issuance in addition to the appropriate registration fee, if applicable. Of this fee, \$30 shall be deposited into the Public Safety Diver Fund and \$15 shall be deposited into the Secretary of State Special License Plate Fund. For each registration renewal period, a \$27 fee, in addition to the appropriate registration fee, shall be charged. Of this fee, \$25 shall be deposited into the Public Safety Diver Fund and \$2 shall be deposited into the Secretary of State Special License Plate Fund.

(d) The Public Safety Diver Fund is created as a special fund in the State treasury. All moneys in the Public Safety Diver Fund shall be paid, subject to appropriation by the General Assembly and distribution by the Secretary, to the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board for the purposes of providing grants based on need for training, standards, and equipment to public safety disciplines within the State and to units of local government involved in public safety diving and water rescue services.

(e) The Public Safety Diver Advisory Committee shall

recommend grant rewards with the intent of achieving reasonably equitable distribution of funds between police, firefighting, and public safety diving services making application for grants under this Section.

(f) The administrative costs related to management of grants made from the Public Safety Diver Fund shall be paid from the Public Safety Diver Fund to the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board.